

EXHIBITIONS AND NOTICES.

October 18th, 1921.

Sir S. F. HARMER, K.B.E., Sc.D., F.R.S., Vice-President,
in the Chair.

The SECRETARY read the following Report on the Additions to the Society's Menagerie during the months of May, June, July, August, and September, 1921:—

MAY.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of May were 307 in number. Of these 60 were acquired by presentation, 206 were deposited, 18 were purchased, 11 were received in exchange, and 12 were born in the Menagerie.

The following may be specially mentioned:—

2 Cheetahs (*Cynelurus jubatus*), ♀, from Hargeisa, Somaliland, presented by Major E. H. Ward, R.M.A., and Lieut. A. M. Hutchinson on May 30th.

2 Tayras (*Galera barbara*) and 1 Kinkajou (*Potos caudivolvulus*), from Ambalema, Colombia, presented by Henry C. Vaughan on May 17th.

4 Crab-eating Dogs (*Canis thous*) and 2 White Amphisbænas (*Amphisbæna alba*), from Morro Velho, Brazil, presented by George Chalmers, C.M.Z.S., on May 23rd.

2 Small Egyptian Jerboas (*Jaculus jaculus*) from Giza, 2 Large Egyptian Jerboas (*Jaculus orientalis*), from Maryût, and 2 Four-toed Jerboas (*Scarturus tetradactylus*), new to the Collection, from Maryût, presented by the Giza Zoological Gardens on May 21st.

JUNE.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of June were 399 in number. Of these 167 were acquired by presentation, 123 were deposited, 11 were received in exchange, 52 were purchased, and 46 were born in the Menagerie.

The following may be specially mentioned:—

2 young Lionesses (*Felis leo*) and one Bull Buffalo (*Bos caffer*), from Naorobi, presented by Maj.-Gen. Sir E. Northey, K.C.M.G., on June 7th.

A collection of Mammals from Burma, including a pair of Thamin (*Cervus eldi*), a pair of Hog-Deer (*Axis porcinus*), a pair of Muntjac (*Muntiacus muntjak*), a Tigress (*Felis tigris*), and two Burmese Pig-tailed Macaques (*Macacus leoninus*), received in exchange from the Rangoon Zoological Gardens on June 25th.

A female Black Leopard (*Felis pardus*) and a Leopard-Cat (*F. bengalensis*), from Thayetmyo, Burma, presented by Mr. J. A. P. Stuart.

3 Persian Gazelles (*Gazella subgutturosa*) and a Gmelin's Sheep (*Oris orientalis*), from Persia, presented by Sir Percy Cox, K.C.M.G., Capt. R. E. Cheesman, C.M.Z.S., and Major Daly on June 6th.

3 American Bluebirds (*Sialia sialis*) and 2 Sacred Ibises (*Ibis aethiopica*), bred in the Menagerie.

4 Eastern Paradise Whydah-birds (*Steganura paradisea verreauxi*) and 4 East-African Colies (*Colius affinis*), both new to the Collection, presented by Mr. W. G. Keeping.

1 Greenland Falcon (*Hierofalco candicans*), captured at Boncath, Pembrokehire, and presented by Col. Cecil Spence Colby, C.M.G., D.S.O.

A large collection of North-American reptiles and batrachians, including 10 Horrid Rattlesnakes (*Crotalus horridus*), 2 Copperheads (*Ancistrodon contortrix*), and 3 Mocassins (*Ancistrodon piscivorus*), presented by the New York Zoological Society.

A Striped Tree-Frog (*Megalixalus fornasinii*), new to the Collection, from Zanzibar, presented by Capt. W. H. Ingrams, F.Z.S.

JULY.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of July were 180 in number. Of these 112 were acquired by presentation, 20 were deposited, 1 was received in exchange, 21 were purchased, and 26 were born in the Menagerie.

The following may be specially mentioned:—

A collection of Mammals and Birds including 1 Serval (*Felis serval*), 2 Spotted Hyænas (*Hycena crocuta*), 2 Harnessed Antelopes (*Tragelaphus scriptus*); 3 Collared Guinea-fowls (*Numida meleagris*), 2 Marabou Storks (*Leptoptilus crumeniferus*), 1 Ostrich (*Struthio camelus*), 1 Black-necked Crowned Crane (*Balearica pavonina*), from Gambia, presented by H. E. Capt. C. H. Armitage on July 19th.

1 Malayan Tapir (*Tapirus indicus*), born on July 14th.

2 Nylghaie (*Boselaphus tragocamelus*), born on July 5th.

2 Cape Hyrax (*Hyrax capensis*), born on July 31st.

1 Great Kangaroo (*Macropus giganteus*), 1 Red Kangaroo (*Macropus rufus*), purchased on July 6th.

1 Pygmy Flying Phalanger (*Acrobates pygmaea*), new to the Collection, deposited on July 6th; 1 Noisy Rat (*Rattus vociferans*), new to the Collection, from Kuala Lumpur, presented by C. Boden Kloss, Esq.

3 One-Streaked Hawks (*Asturina monogrammica*) from the Northern Province of Nigeria, presented by J. R. C. Stephens on July 25th.

4 Ostriches (*Struthio camelus*) from an Ostrich Farm in Tunis, purchased on July 27th.

AUGUST.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of August were 231 in number. Of these 61 were acquired by presentation, 42 were deposited, 5 were received in exchange, 111 were purchased, and 12 were born in the Menagerie.

The following may be specially mentioned :—

A collection, principally from New Guinea and Aru, obtained by Mr. Frost, and comprising a few mammals and reptiles and about 100 birds, including four species of Birds-of-Paradise, some rare Doves and Parrots. The following species are new to our Collection :—3 Orange-fronted Fruit-Pigeons (*Ptilopus aurantiifrons*), 4 Stephani's Green-winged Pigeons (*Chalcophaps stephani*), 1 Lesser White Goshawk (*Astur leucosomus*), 3 Red-bellied Rails (*Eulabeornis castaneiventris*), 2 Brown-billed Brush-Turkeys (*Talegallus fuscirostris*), 1 Amboina King-Parrakeet (*Aprosmictus amboinensis*), 8 New Guinea Terrapins (*Emydura nove-guinee*), 1 Striped Gecko (*Gecko vittatus*) : purchased on August 27th.

A collection of Mammals and Birds from Para, including 2 Red Brockets (*Mazama rufa*), 2 Crab-eating Raccoons (*Procyon cancrivorus*), 2 Maguari Storks (*Euxenura maguari*), 2 Cocol Herons (*Ardea cocoi*), 2 Scarlet Ibises (*Eudocimus ruber*), and others : purchased on August 9th.

1 Lechee Antelope (*Cobus leche*), and 1 Wart-Hog (*Phacochærus ethiopicus*), from S. Africa, deposited on August 31st.

1 Finch-billed Bulbul (*Spizixus canifrons*) and 1 White-winged Mynah (*Poliopsar nemoricola*), new to the Collection, from Yunnan, presented by J. D. La Touche, C.M.Z.S., on August 10th.

1 Nigerian Hare (*Lepus canopus*), new to the Collection, from Kano, N. Nigeria, deposited on August 11th.

SEPTEMBER.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of September were 131 in number. Of these 56 were acquired by presentation, 20 were deposited, 14 were received in exchange, 37 were purchased, and 4 were born in the Menagerie.

The following may be specially mentioned :—

1 Abyssinian Oribe (*Ourebia montana*), from Kenya Colony, E. Africa, deposited on September 24th.

1 Broad-billed Roller (*Eurystomus crassirostris*), from the Aru Islands, new to the Collection, deposited on September 13th.

Mr. M. A. C. HINTON exhibited, and made remarks upon, an embryò African Elephant.

Mr. E. G. BOULENGER, F.Z.S., exhibited, and made remarks upon, photographs of a Common Grass Snake swallowing a Viper.

Mr. F. MARTIN DUNCAN, F.Z.S., exhibited a series of cinematograph films of Marine Animals, and asked the Society to accept the series for its Zoological Film Library.

Mr. D. SETH-SMITH, F.Z.S., exhibited a series of photographs of the Sacred Ibis nesting in the Society's Gardens, and said that the last occasion on which the birds had bred in the Gardens was in 1877, as recorded by the late Dr. P. L. Sclater in 'The Ibis' (1878, ser. 4, vol. ii. p. 449).

Prof. G. ELLIOT SMITH, F.R.S., F.Z.S., gave an account of the habits of *Tarsius*, and illustrated his remarks by a series of photographs of living specimens which had been taken by Mr. W. E. Le Gros Clark, F.Z.S., in Borneo.

November 8th, 1921.

Dr. A. SMITH WOODWARD, F.R.S., Vice-President,
in the Chair.

Mr. EDGAR P. CHANCE, M.A., M.B.O.U., gave an account of his investigation of the laying-habits of the Cuckoo (*Cuculus canorus*) and the life of the young Cuckoo, and illustrated his remarks with a striking series of cinematograph films and photographs.

November 22nd, 1921.

Prof. E. W. MACBRIDE, F.R.S., Vice-President,
in the Chair.

The SECRETARY read the following Report on the Additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of October, 1921:—

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of October were 147 in number. Of these 48 were acquired by presentation, 36 were deposited, 10 were received in exchange, 34 were purchased, and 19 were born in the Menagerie.

The following may be specially mentioned :—

1 Bosman's Potto (*Perodicticus potto*), from Ilorin, Northern Provinces of Nigeria, presented by J. R. C. Stevens, Esq., on October 16th.

2 Maholi Galagos (*Galago maholi*), from Pretoria, received in exchange.

2 Snowy Owls (*Nyctea scandiaca*), from Northern Baffin's Land, presented by Henry Toke Munn, F.R.G.S., on October 8th.

1 Salvin's Razor-billed Curassow (*Mitua salvini*), from Ecuador, new to the Collection, deposited on October 11th.

2 Regal Horned Lizards (*Phrynosoma regale*), from Arizona, presented by E. Newitt on October 17th.

Mr. A. S. LE SOUËF, C.M.Z.S., exhibited, and made remarks upon, a series of lantern-slides illustrating the early life-history of *Ornithorhynchus*.

Dr. A. SMITH WOODWARD, F.R.S., V.P.Z.S., exhibited, and made remarks upon, a Human Skull and other remains from Broken Hill, North Rhodesia, upon which he had founded the species *Homo rhodesiensis*. In comparing the Rhodesian skull with a Neanderthal skull from La Chapelle, Dr. Smith Woodward stated that the former may prove to be the next grade after Neanderthal in the ascending series.